TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 3120 - SB 3222

February 26, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: States any person who pays \$400 in restoration or reinstatement fees to the Department of Safety shall have any remaining restoration or reinstatement fees waived. Requires the court clerk to create a driver license recovery plan for persons owing state or county fines or costs that are older than five years. Requires only 50 percent of the fees be repaid. Requires the Administrative Office of the Courts to develop a course for persons enrolled in the recovery plan. Authorizes the Department of Safety to reinstate driving privileges when fees, fines, and costs have been paid under these provisions.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenue – Exceeds \$437,000/Recurring Increase State Expenditures - \$7,000/One-Time

Decrease Local Revenue – Exceeds \$100,000/Recurring Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000/Recurring*

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Safety (DOS), state revenue is estimated to decrease \$387,000 because only 50 percent of reinstatement fees are required to be repaid under this bill
- DOS will experience a one-time increase in state expenditures of \$7,000 for changes to two software programs.
- State revenue is estimated to decrease in an amount exceeding \$50,000 from requiring only 50 percent of fines and costs to be repaid
- Local revenue is estimated to decrease in an amount exceeding \$100,000 from requiring only 50 percent of fines and costs to be repaid.
- Local governments will experience an increase in expenditures to create a driver license recovery plan. This increase is reasonably estimated to exceed \$100,000.

• According to the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), AOC can implement this bill by making the relevant information available to the public on the AOC's Web site. AOC will not conduct statewide in-person courses. The cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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^{*}Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.